



Township Register



COVERING WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, INCLUDING
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FIFTY-FOUR YEARS OLD

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NEWS OF MEN



IN SERVICE...

IRVINGTON SOLDIER IS HOME ON LEAVE

IRVINGTON — Staff Sergeant LeRoy Raymond returned from Camp Roberts to celebrate Christmas a week early with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Raymond.

Changes in the classification of his two uncles in the service were made known at the family gathering. Private George Caldeira of Hayward, recently transferred to the postal department at Sacramento, is home on furlough following injuries received in an automobile accident. Private First Class Rudolph Frates of San Jose has been transferred from the M.P. to the clerical department at the Turlock Camp.

— V — FORMER NILES MAN AT TRAINING SCHOOL

Talt E. Stealey, nephew of Mrs. Mildred Wilder of Niles has reported to Fort Benning, Ga., for officers trainings school for the U.S. Army.

Stealey attended Washington Union High School at Centerville and graduated from the University of California. He enlisted at Los Angeles last July.

— V —
Warrant Officer, MURRELL HARRIS after spending a fifteen day leave visiting his wife and daughter in Newark is returning to Annette Island, Alaska. Mrs. Harris is accompanying him as far as Seattle where they will spend the Holidays together.

Fire Chief Joe Pashote and Mrs. Pashote left Tuesday night for Colorado where they will spend Christmas with their son, Private EUGENE PASHOTE, who is stationed at Camp Carson, Colorado. NORMAN ROGERS, U.S. Air Corp that he has been promoted to Corporal.

Pvt. JOE BAUHOFFER who was stationed in Australia for quite a while was recently moved to New Guinea.

ALBERT GEORGE S2/c, U.S. Navy, is temporarily stationed at the Navy Training Station in San Diego.

JACK ALLEN and Ed. Kuegeman have enlisted in the Navy. They reported to the city and were given ten day leaves. Best of luck to the boys.

Friends received word from GALE SHEEDY, a former Centerville resident and graduate of Washington Union High School, that he is an Aviation Cadet at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. WILBUR SIMMONS of Medford, Oregon, spent several days last week visiting at the H. M. Kibby home, parents of Mrs. Simmons in Niles.



Merry Christmas!

COL. OVERACKER NOW COMMANDS BRITISH FIELD

Col. Charles B. Overacker, son of Mrs. C. B. Overacker of Niles, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, bestowed for outstanding bravery on an aerial flight and has been made commanding officer of the First of several airfields acquired by the U.S. Army Air Forces "somewhere in England."

A special cable from London to the New York Times describes ceremonies at which Colonel Overacker was assigned to his new duties: "Flying Fortresses swooping low in salute with United States and British officers and enlisted men standing at attention as the Union Jack was lowered and the Stars and Stripes raised. Brig. Gen. L. S. Kuter, officially accepted the airfield on behalf of the U. S. Army and placed Col. C. B. Overacker in charge as commanding officer of the station."

Colonel Overacker graduated from the Washington Union High School at Centerville and the University of California. He has been in the U.S. Army Air Corps for the past 15 years. His wife Clarissa Moulton Overacker, who became connected with the operative intelligence division of the Office of the Chief of the Air Corps at Washington, D.C., following her husband's departure overseas several months ago, is now at Santa Barbara where she was called two weeks ago by the critical illness of her father, Col. P. D. Moulton, retired U.S. Medical Corps officer.

— V —
Bonds for Bombs —

Midnight Christmas Eve Service

NILES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Thursday night, December 24, at 11 o'clock

The public is invited to attend this splendid program of great Christmas music, and candle lighting service.

The Choir will lead the congregation in singing of several favorite Christmas Carols. Homer DeWitt Pugh, leader of the choir in the Christian Church of San Jose, and a quartette from his choir, will sing several special Christmas songs.

The program:
"O come, all ye faithful", Choir and Congregation
Responsive reading by minister and people
"Angels We Have Heard on High", Old Traditional French by the quartette

"A Prophecy", Bible reading
"Deck the Hall with boughs of Holly", Old Traditional Welsh, by the Quartette

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night", Choir
"The Magnificat", Biblical Reading
"He Shall Feed His Flock", from Messiah, Miss Marjorie Barnes, Contralto soloist

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear", Choir and Congregation

"The Birth Announced", Biblical Reading
"In the Little Village of Bethlehem," by Neidlinger, Chas.

A. Pugh, Baritone solo
"Joy to the World", Choir
"Beautiful Saviour", 17th Century Silesian Carol, The Quartette

"Sweet Peace", Bilhorn, Duet by Homer DeWitt and Chas.

A. Pugh

The Christmas Offering

"O Little Town of Bethlehem", Choir and Congregation

"This Day Is Born A Saviour" J. Stewart, Homer DeWitt

Pugh, tenor soloist
The Service of Lights
Silent Night, Holy Night
Prayer of Dedication

1943 LICENSE PERIOD OPENS ON JANUARY 2

SACRAMENTO — Mail applications for 1943 license plates may now be forwarded to the Department of Motor Vehicles in Sacramento, by Washington Township vehicle owners according to announcement today by Acting Registrar, Thomas V. Maloney.

Receipt of word from the Norris Stamping and Manufacturing Company of Los Angeles that sufficient steel will be available for deliveries of a portion of the 1943 "tabs" in January will make it possible to open all offices for renewal on January 2nd, as hitherto, Maloney said.

Persons applying for plates on and after that date will be given serially numbered receipts. Plates will be mailed to them as rapidly as they are available.

Applications received by mail will be handled in the same fashion Maloney said. The amount of the fee due is shown in the lower left hand corner of the 1942 registration card.

To apply for plates by mail, the applicant should place his 1942 registration card together with a postal or bank money order or cashier's check for the fee due in an envelope and mail to the Department of Motor Vehicles, Sacramento. If he has moved since his registration card was issued he should write in his new address on the registration card so that his new card and plates may be mailed to his present address.

Applications in person may be made at any branch office after January 2nd, inasmuch as the new developments have caused abandonment of plans for postponing the license renewal period, Maloney said.

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CHRISTMAS MASSES AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

The beautiful Feast of Christmas, commemorating the birth of the Infant Savior will be observed with special Masses at Corpus Christi Church in Niles, at 7:30, 8:30 and 10 a.m. The appropriate and inspiring music for this lovely Feast-day will be rendered by the Church Choir under the direction of Mrs. Clarence Crane, the Church organist.

A special mass will also be celebrated at Holy Rosary Church, Decoto at 8:30 a.m. The choir will be under the direction of Miss Mary Bernard, the organist.

— V —
J. DANIEL WEBSTER, son of Reverend and Mrs. J. L. Webster of Newark is now stationed with an Evacuation Hospital unit at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is a former teacher who had been training as a laboratory technician in the Rice Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mayer will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas.

Coming Events

FIRDAY CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30, 8:30 10 a.m. Christmas masses at Corpus Christi Church, Niles. 8:30 a.m. Christmas mass at Holy Rosary Church, Decoto.

SUNDAY

7:15 p.m. Special Carol service in the Newark Presbyterian Church. Public welcome.

THURSDAY

New Year's Eve.

LARGE THROG ENJOYS ANNUAL XMAS PAGEANT

CENTERVILLE — The annual religious pageant presented by the students of Washington Union High School attracted a full attendance Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock when a single presentation was made of Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man."

Dwight Thornburg officiated at the organ and a choir of 36 voices sang carols and appropriate accompaniment to the scenes as they unfolded on the stage.

The lighting effects and costuming were fine, as usual and the pageant was greatly enjoyed.

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CATTLE RUSTLERS REPORTED ACTIVE BY STOCK RAISERS

CENTERVILLE — Alameda County Cattlemen fear a resurgence of cattle rustling, according to officers who have found several instances of stock killed on the range. The present meat shortage is blamed for the situation.

Game Warden Fred Rogers, latest to report on the situation said he found the feet and entrails of a calf a half-mile from an Irvington dairy and carcasses of two other calves were reported found near the Grimmer ranch.

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RATION BOARD CLOSED

With Governor Olson proclaiming the Saturday after Christmas a legal holiday in this state the Washington Township War Price and Ration Board closed Thursday, Christmas Eve at 2 o'clock and will not open again until next Monday morning at 9 a.m., Chairman George C. Roeding Jr. announces. This means that issuing gasoline or other rationed articles will be suspended for the holiday weekend while the hard-worked staff enjoys a well earned rest.

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CAROL SERVICE

NEWARK — A special service will be held Sunday evening in the Newark Presbyterian Church, beginning at 7:15 o'clock when the Carols of 12 different nations will be sung by the congregation, the senior choir and the junior choir. Reverend Jackson Webster announces. He will be assisted by Mr. Philip Evalul.

The young people of the Christian Endeavor society sang Carols in Irvington, Centerville and Newark on Christmas Eve.

IRVINGTON

Miss Doris Alameda
Correspondent

Janice and Jean Nelson formerly of Irvington, but now living in the city visited relatives and

friends here recently.

Those winning prizes in the Fire Prevention Contest from Irvington are Leslie J. Krous, Dorothy M. Cline and Ellen Freitas.

Ed Haynes, has moved his business to its new home two doors east of its former location. The new quarters afford much needed room.



REGARDLESS of what has happened to this queer old world in 1942, there is still love and cheer and friendship out of which we may fashion another happy Christmas season.

We want to say now that we wish all of our friends every success in finding during this Yuletide all the happiness it can possibly bring.

VIEUX BROS.

NILES



JUST A LINE to extend our heartfelt thanks for your kindness to us during 1942, and to wish you and yours the merriest Christmas of them all.

E. E. DIAS

Contractor
NILES

THIS YEAR OF 1942 has been one of world tribulation, but nevertheless, many good things have come our way. Chief among them is your continued patronage, for which we thank you very earnestly now, and wish you a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

P. C. HANSEN LUMBER CO.

Niles Centerville Decoto



NILES LOCALS

Miss Rosemary McDonald
Correspondent

Two of the handsomest Christmas trees in Niles may be seen in the Central Bank and in the lobby of the Niles Theatre. The tree at the bank is decorated entirely in red ornaments with red lights, lavishly covered with silver tinsel. The tree at the theatre is beautifully decorated and lighted. Neither one sheds any light on the street at night, which complies with dim-out regulations.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Boylin and son Robert of Los Angeles will spend Christmas visiting at the E. A. Ellsworth home and in Berkeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Wright are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Grace in Burlingame.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gomes are entertaining on Christmas day when Mr. and Mrs. Viera and son will be their dinner guests.

Sgt. Jack Parry of the finance department, Air Corps, who is home at Niles on sick leave, was a dinner guest Monday evening at the Waynfletes.

The Orient chapter of Eastern Star held installation on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Wilda Jane Hellwig Past Grand Matron of California was the installing officer.

The turkey dinner and Christmas party held by the Rebekah's on December 18 was a great success, it included a Christmas tree, Santa Claus and gifts for little folks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Mayer entertained at dinner on Tuesday night in honor of her father J. Garcia's 74th birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Garcia, Miss Evelyn Garcia of Hayward and Mrs. M. Mayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bendel, Wini and Roland Jr. will spend Christmas in Mill Valley as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kibby son Gordon and Mrs. Belle Stebbins will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stebbins of Oakland on Christmas day.



Claude B. Lamkin, Field Scout Executive from Hayward was a dinner guest Tuesday evening at the Waynfletes.

Mrs. E. C. Kennard, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Cull, Mrs. F. H. Smith, Mrs. C. B. Oliver will spend Christmas in Hayward as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mayer will have open house on Christmas Eve to relatives and friends, and will also entertain at a family party on Christmas day.

CENTERVILLE

Miss Maxine Mau
Correspondent

Mrs. Edith Wright of Oakland is spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mau here.

Word has been received from many people from the Township enjoyed the Christmas Pageant at the high school last Sunday.

The Orient Chapter of the Eastern Star held their installation Tuesday evening at the Masonic Hall. Mrs. Randolph Griffin was installed as Worthy Matron.

The Rainbow Girls held a regular meeting Monday evening.



Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wegele and daughter, Lela Mae, are spending Christmas with Mrs. Wegele's sister, Mrs. Bud Parkhurst in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. John Galvin enjoyed a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mau Sunday evening.

Merry Christmas from your Centerville Correspondent!

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NEWARK

Frank E. Pine
Correspondent

Mrs. Frank Gyax and her eight pound son William Henry have returned home from the Hayward Hospital and according to all indications mother and baby are doing nicely.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Newark Fire Department held their annual Christmas party on Saturday evening at the Fire Hall. The committee in charge of the party was Mary Meneze and Lena Calderia. After the party the men were invited to join in the refreshments.

Mrs. Ralph Bangle received word from her husband who has been working on a construction job in Panama since July, that he will be home sometime in February. Mr. Bangle is employed with the Engineering Limited Corporation for whom he has worked for the past three years.

Last Saturday morning Manuel Martin and Joe Ferreria both of Sycamore street collided at the intersection of Mayhew Road and Sycamore Street. No one was injured in the accident but Mr. Ferreria's car was badly damaged.

James Collins is at present employed in the Newark Post Office helping out with the Christmas rush.

Cross switch your tires now and then and help the boys double cross Hitler!

Gasoline stored on the premises for the future often means there won't be any future.

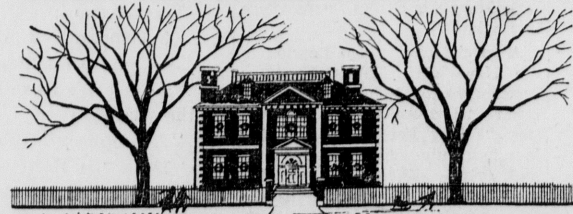
Buy War Bonds and keep inflation where we need it most — in our tires.

At this time, when common tasks begin to glimmer with new glory, we pause to wish you all the Christmas joys this joyous season can bring.

The Management

NILES THEATRE

MERRY CHRISTMAS.. PEACE ON EARTH



IT would be fine if we personally could meet and greet each one of you this thought-provoking Christmas of 1942. The fact that we cannot does not keep us from saying to you here that we wish you a very Merry Christmas.



CRANE GARAGE

Clarence and Marguerite Crane
NILES

Church News

NILES CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. D. Q. Grabill, Pastor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School classes for all ages.
11 a.m. Morning worship.
A cordial welcome to all worshippers

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY OF NILES

A branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, holds regular services as follows:
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Wednesday Evening meeting on the second Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. A Christian Science Hymnal Program, given under the direction of the Committee on Publication for Northern California, is radiocast over Station KYA, San Francisco, on the first Sunday of each month from seven to seven-thirty p.m.

IRVINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Mr. Philip O. Evalul, Pastor.
10:00 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Church Worship.
6:30 p.m. Christian Endeavor society at Newark.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH — Centerville

Mr. John Raymond, Student Pastor
11 a.m. Morning service.
9:30 a.m. Communion service, first Sunday of each month Mr. Harris of Hayward officiating.

SAINT EDWARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Newark
Rev. James J. McLaughlin, Pastor
First and third Sundays, mass at 10 a.m.
Second and fourth Sundays, mass at 8:30 a.m.
First Sunday of each month, high mass.
Fourth Sunday of each month, general communion Sunday.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROSARY — DECOTO

Rev. T. Hennessy, Pastor
HOURS OF SUNDAY MASSES
Winter Schedule
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays. 10:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays. 9 a.m.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH NILES

Rev. T. Hennessy, Pastor
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays. 9 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays. 10:30 a.m.

WASHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN PARISH

Rev. J. L. Webster and Mr. Philip O. Evalul, Ministers.
NEWARK CHURCH
10 a.m. Morning worship.
11 a.m. Sunday School.
7:15 p.m. Informal evening meeting for children and adults.
CENTERVILLE & ALVARADO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES
Union Service at Centerville
10 a.m. Morning Worship.
Sunday school — Younger children at St. James Episcopal, older children at the Presbyterian church. Parents can attend the church service while the children are in classes.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth." These words from John comprise the Golden Text to be used Sunday, December 27, in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, The subject of the Lesson-Sermon will be "Christian Science."

Included among the Scriptural selections will be: "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: . . . And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne," (Rev. 12:1, 5).

The following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will also be included: "The impersonation of the spiritual idea had a brief history in the earthly life of our Master, but 'of his kingdom there shall be no end,' for Christ, God's idea, will eventually rule all nations and peoples—imperatively, absolutely, finally—with divine Science," (p. 565).

Mrs. Anna Bradford will spend the Christmas holidays with her sister and family, Mrs. Ed Krumland at Byron.

Washington High started their Christmas vacation Tuesday and will begin again January 4.

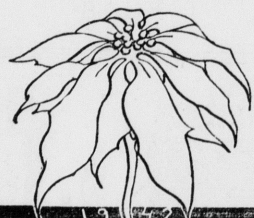


But even if Christmas came once a month, we would hardly find words with which to thank you for your generous support.

And now let us wish you all a very Merry Christmas in 1942.

FLORENCE RESTAURANT

NILES



Christmas Cheer to All

'T WAS but yesterday that all was commonplace. But now, what a change! 'Tis the Christmas spirit of 1942!

Carried away on this magic carpet of Yuletide, we enter every home to say Merry Christmas to our friends.

L. L. LEWIS
Your Laundryman
NILES

JOYOUS SEASON TO ALL



JUST the friendliest of wishes for your happiness and cheer at Christmas time and always. Let not the sacrifices of 1942 have been in vain.

DELUXE BARBER SHOP

E. L. Yarbrough
Roy Betterfield
NILES

BETSY ROSS PARLOR TO MEET BUT ONCE A MONTH

Betsy Ross Parlor, N.D.G.W. met for their regular meeting, and annual Christmas Party in Anderson Hall, Centerville, on Friday evening, December 18th. Worthy President, Evelyn Peixoto, presided at the meeting.

Due to the rationing of gasoline and tires, the members voted to hold their meetings just once a month for the duration. As the first Friday of January falls on New Year's Day, the meeting will be held on the third Friday and then on the first Friday of each month thereafter.

Constance Amaral was complimented on her excellent report on Americanism, which was read at the school of Instruction held in Oakland recently. Sister Amaral is the Alameda County Chairman on Americanism.

Mrs. Tillie Enos was appointed to take charge of distributing a basket of food to a needy family in the Township on Christmas Day. This is one of their annual traditions.

A carton of cigarettes was sent to each of the following Native Sons of Washington Parlor who are in the Armed Forces, James Logan, Harold Garcia, Kenneth Ferry, and Elmer Lewis, all in the U. S. Navy, stationed at the Oakland Naval Base, Albert Silveira with the U. S. Army in the Hawaiian Islands, E. M. Stevenson, U. S. Navy, Rhode Island, Harry Stevenson, U. S. Army, Arizona, and Donald Graham, U. S. Navy, Massachusetts.

Following the meeting, the members enjoyed their Christmas Party with Mrs. Oliveira as Santa Claus. Gifts were exchanged and very tasty refreshments were served by Mrs. Anna Rose, Mrs. Virginia Enos, and Mrs. Mary Amaral, who worked hard to make the evening such a success. The table and hall were very nicely decorated with berries and a small Christmas tree. The very attractive favors were donated by "Billie" Leal.

— Bonds for Bombs —

PATROL ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Centerville Elementary School Junior Traffic Reserve enjoyed its annual Christmas party on Thursday evening, December 17. The members of the squad were guests of the Centerville Lions Club for dinner, and then attended the show at the Niles Theatre.

The patrol was accompanied by Mrs. Manuel Silva, Judge Allen G. Norris, Lions Club representative, Gilbert DeBorja, and Principal T. P. Maloney. The Centerville Reserve is sponsored by the Centerville Lions Club, is assisted by the Centerville P.T.A. and the Centerville Board of Trustees, and is under the supervision of Principal Thomas P. Maloney.

WASHINGTON CLASSES ELECT NEW OFFICERS

CENTERVILLE — Juniors and sophomores at Washington Union High School have chosen the following as officers for the year:

Juniors—Lewis Rocha, president; Francis Rose, vice-president; Anna Blanche Pratali, secretary; Charlotte Lewis, treasurer; Marjorie Jackson, yell leader; Adele Bertolotti, Student Council representative, and Mary Luiz and Martha Ferraris, Girls' League.

Sophomores — Stanley Maffey, president; Don Silveria, vice-president; Barbara Ramos, secretary; Velma Tellas, treasurer; Florence Marie Braun, student body representative, and Rosie Fong and Winnie Dias, Girls' League.

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Neighborhood NEWS

CENTERVILLE WOMAN'S RITES HEID

CENTERVILLE — Final rites were said Tuesday morning for Anna Silva 59, who passed away in Oakland. Mass was said at All Saints Church in Hayward and interment was made at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery there, under the direction of the Chapel of the Palms.

She was a native of California and the wife of Joseph V. Silva; the mother of Vanessa Matoza of San Leandro, Dorothy Neves of Corning, Helen Goularte of Alvarado. Violet Silva of Tennyson; the sister of Mary Thomas of San Francisco, Rose Johnson of Richmond and Isabel Augusta of Brawley.

— Bonds for Bombs —

AGED CENTERVILLE RESIDENT IS FURIED

CENTERVILLE — Funeral services were held last week for Frank Goularte Santos, 83, who passed away at his home here. Mass was said at the Holy Ghost Church and interment was at the Holy Ghost Cemetery under the direction of the Chapel of the Palms.

The deceased was a native of Fayal of the Azores. He was the husband of Gertrude Santos of Centerville, the father of Rose Escobar of Los Gatos and Eva Jason of Centerville and the brother of Rita Silva of Centerville.

RESIDENT OF NEWARK IS FINED FOR DIMOUT

NEWARK — Manuel Pimentel of Newark was fined \$10 for violation of the dimout law after being found guilty by Judge Allen G. Norris at a recent session of the Centerville Justice Court. Four other fines have been collected on similar charges heard at the Niles and Centerville courts.

Joseph Gomez of 701 Fourth Street, Decoto, has been cited to appear at the Niles Justice Court on Monday, December 28, charged with having a large unshielded yard light.

UNLEASH YOUR "DOGS OF WAR" FOR THE ARMY

The United States Army has recently officially recognized the dog as necessary to our war effort and has made the dog a part of our Army. Dogs now are being trained for various Army duties which include sentry duty, combat duty in guerrilla warfare, messenger work, ambulance and first aid work, carrying packs, for cart and sled hauling and for reconnaissance duties, among others.

The Remount Service, a branch of the Quartermaster Corps, has been charged with receiving, training and issuing the dogs. Dogs for Defense, Inc., a national civilian organization, has volunteered to act as a procurement agency for obtaining dogs for Army needs. Dogs for Defense, Inc., a national, non-profit organization whose personnel donate their services, is officially recognized as the sole procurement agency for War Dogs. It selects from dogs which have been offered, free of charge by their owners, the individuals that meet Army requirements and later arranges to transfer them to the nearest Army Dog Training Center, of which there are at present four, located at Front Royal, Virginia; Fort Robinson, Nebraska; Camp Rimini, Helena, Montana; and San Carlos, California.

Persons in the Pacific Coast Area desiring to donate dogs to the Army should contact Mr. C. J. Pfaffenberger, Regional director, 750 Eddy Street, San Francisco.

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SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. CATHERINE TWOHIG

WARM SPRINGS — Final rites for Mrs. Catherine Twohig, 73, who had spent her entire life in this community where she was born were held from the Berge Mortuary at Irvington with mass at St. Joseph's Church at Mission San Jose, and interment in the Holy Ghost Cemetery at Centerville.

She was the sister of the late Tom Power, Irvington attorney, Morris and Mary Power. She is survived by an older sister, Miss Lucinda Power of Long Beach, and several nieces and nephews. She passed away at a local rest home after an illness of nearly 10 years. Her husband, Joseph Twohig, passed away last June.

Her parents, the late John and Mary Power came to this valley in the '50's, among the first pioneer ranchers of southern Alameda County.

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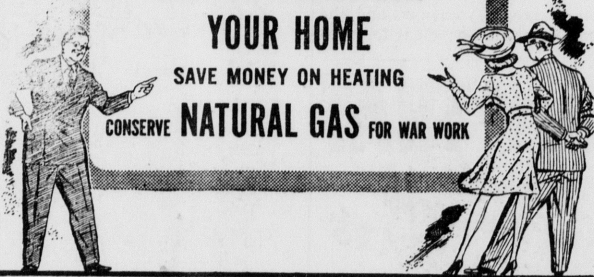
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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

WINTER CONDITION YOUR HOME

SAVE MONEY ON HEATING
CONSERVE NATURAL GAS FOR WAR WORK



TODAY every patriotic American is interested in getting the most for his money by buying more carefully, by taking care of the things he owns and by avoiding waste.

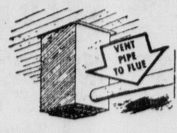
As helpful suggestions to these Home Front war efforts, here are four examples for improving the service from your Natural Gas heating equipment. Do these things now. Winter condition your heating devices. Prevent fuel waste and save money.



1. Take off the grill on your floor furnace or wall register. Have a cardboard carton handy and go to work with a brush or vacuum cleaner. A pancake turner can serve to lift out heavy dirt.



2. Is yours a forced-air furnace? Then take out the filter pads. Give them a good cleaning or replace with new pads. Or better still, have a heating dealer check over the furnace, fan, motor, controls and pilot light.



3. Take a look at the vent pipe that connects your heater or other gas equipment to the flue. If it is rusted out or it leaks have it repaired or replaced now.



4. Watch room temperature and save gas. Overheating is not healthy anyway. If your open fireplace has a damper—close it when the gas heat is on. It is good economy.

We are fortunate in California to have a fuel like Natural Gas. The supply is sufficient for all essential needs and its delivery, flowing in a pipe, creates no transportation problem.

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OFFICIAL WAR NEWS

From the Office of War Information, San Francisco.

Expenditures for the year for munitions and war construction will total \$47,000,000,000 in the first 10 months of 1942, more than \$13,000,000,000 were collected in taxes and more than \$33,000,000,000 through the sale of bonds and other Government obligations. Approximately 17,500,000 people are now employed in War Work—compared to 7,000,000 a year ago—but in 1943 an additional 5,000,000 will be needed for war work and for the armed forces. By March 15, 1942, the cost of living had risen 15 percent over the end of 1939, but price regulation, instituted in April, held down the increases in those prices subject to control to 6/10 of one percent as of October 15.

Through the breaking up of international cartels and illegal patent pools a great number of trade secrets and technical processes have been given to American arsenals and manufacturers.

October production of alloy steel was 60 percent higher than the average monthly production in 1941 and 400 percent over the pre-war production peak, the WPB steel division announced. October steel plate production totaled 1,100,000 tons, an increase of almost 100 percent over October 1941. The Maritime Commission said U.S. shipyards during November delivered into service 84 vessels totaling 891,700 deadweight tons.

REPORT ON PEARL HARBOR

The Navy Department announced that all of the eight battleships in Pearl Harbor on December 7, were hit, seven of them temporarily disabled and one, the Arizona, permanently and totally lost. Those reported damaged have returned to the fleet, while others critically damaged are being repaired and will soon be ready for battle action. Of the 202 U.S. Naval Aircraft based at Pearl Harbor, 150 were permanently or temporarily disabled. Army planes destroyed totaled 97. As a result of the Japanese attack, 2,343 officers and enlisted men of the U.S. services were killed, 1,272 wounded and 960 are still reported as missing.

The Navy estimates that 105 enemy planes took part in the attack, and that the enemy lost 28 aircraft and 3 submarines of 45 tons each.

THE WAR FRONT

Navy Secretary Knox told a press conference that Japanese troops on Guadalcanal may be running short of supplies. The enemy's attempt to land supplies and reinforcements on the night of November 30 was a complete failure, he said. At that time a U.S. Task Naval Force intercepted and engaged Japanese troop transports and vessels and sank nine ships—two large destroyers or cruisers, four destroyers, two troop transports and one cargo ship—at a loss of only one U.S. cruiser. The enemy will try again, Mr. Knox said, but the November 30 attempt indicates clearly that the condition of the Japanese on the Island is becoming

acute. Navy communiques throughout the week reported 170 Japanese killed on the island, three planes downed and one cargo ship hit.

The Navy reported five U.S. Naval transports were sunk by Axis submarines during the occupation of North Africa in the early part of November, and during the operation three other U.S. transports, one destroyer, and one tanker were damaged. Reports showed that 218 Axis planes and 10 tanks were destroyed and a number of prisoners were captured, with the allies reporting 14 planes missing and five lost.

The Nation's Intelligence Service has estimated Japanese casualties from the day of Pearl Harbor to November 25, 1942, at 250,000 men killed or permanently injured, with Naval losses representing about 10 percent of the Japanese Navy's total personnel. U. S. Army and Navy losses in the same period number about 50,000 men killed or missing, with Naval losses representing about one percent of total U.S. Naval personnel.

RATIONING

A new system of rationing known as the "point system" will be used with War Ration Book No. 2 to ration certain commodities not yet announced.

The system will not replace straight coupon rationing of sugar, gasoline, and coffee, as it will be used only for groups of related or similar commodities which can be interchangeably used. Each commodity is plentiful, a high point-value if it is scarce—and the Government, to protect the supply of scarce commodities, can lower or raise the point-value of any commodity at any time.

CIVILIAN SUPPLY

Civilian goods will diminish steadily in 1943, and every effort must be made to insure continued production of civilian supplies through the concentration of output in a few plants, said Joseph L. Weiner, new director of the Office of Civilian Supply.

THE WAR FRONT

President Roosevelt told congress that American forces overseas will number more than 1,000,000 by the end of this month, and said "the Axis powers have, temporarily at least, lost the initiative." The OWI reported that from December 7, 1941, to December 7, 1942, the U. S. armed forces suffered 58,307 casualties—35,678 in the Army and 22,629 in the Navy. Maj. Gen. A. A. Vondergrift, Marine Commander, stated that in the 4-month campaign on Guadalcanal 7,000 Japanese troops have been killed and 450 Japanese planes destroyed, with enemy losses exceeding U.S. losses by 10 to 1. During the first year of war (December 7 to December 7) U.S. communiques have announced the sinking in the Pacific and Far East of 396 Japanese ships and 85 U.S. ships.

Lt. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army air forces, said that in the air struggle over Tunisia American planes and personnel are for the first time in this war going up against first class air power, engaging the best planes the Germans possess. If the U. S. can continue to destroy the enemy plane for plane, we will come out

ahead, he stated, as U.S. production is at least twice that of the Axis.

PRODUCTION

WPB Chairman Nelson described October arms output as "disappointing" as it was up only 3 percent over September, the smallest increase this year. He gave the October box score for major categories of war production, airplanes were down 5 percent, mainly due to special factors affecting deliveries, merchant vessels were down 10 percent but still ahead of schedule, ordnance was up 3 percent, Army and Navy vessels were up 4 percent, other munitions were up 9 percent, and machine tools were up 8.3 percent—a new high for machine tool production.

Because of the conflicting essentiality of many phases of the war production program, said President Roosevelt, the final decision as to what is most needed remains with the Army and Navy.

LEND-LEASE

In the three months ended December 11, lend-lease assistance to the nation's allies totalled \$2,367,000,000, the President told congress. This represents an increase of more than 1/3 over the previous quarter and more than four times the lend-lease total for the quarter immediately preceding Pearl Harbor.

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The FARMERS CORNER



by RALPH H. TAYLOR
Executive Secretary
Agricultural Council
of California

"The thing I like about the kind of criticism of the government which has abounded of late," says Lewis Haney, professor of economics at New York University, "is its essentially constructive spirit. The criticism is directed toward those policies of the government which have been adopted for the purpose of expanding the government. There is no criticism of powers exercised for war purposes."

This is an excellent analysis. Certainly it applies to the attitude of farmers and farm organizations, for the farming industry—perhaps the severest critic of many of the New Deal's current policies—has stayed on the job, working almost double the hours of men in urban war industries, so that the American people and American troops, and our Allies, could have the supplies they desperately require.

There has been no shirking on the part of the farmer, despite his mounting impatience with govern-

ment bungling of war-time production problems, and there will be none. The farmer still being an outspoken individualist, will say what he thinks needs saying—he still believes that's his prerogative as an American citizen—but even when he chafes under restrictions and regulations which make his job doubly difficult, he will still get up at 5 o'clock in the morning and work until 8 o'clock at night, trying to do his job with wholly inadequate equipment and with a critical shortage of workers.

It is necessary to make that statement for the record at this time, because certain Washington bureaucrats, when their mistakes are called to public attention, have lately sought to defend themselves by charging that all who spoke ill of the government were guilty of subversive activities. Quite the contrary is true. When the farmer complains that mismanagement of wage and price controls has drained away his labor, and is threatening his ability to meet government production quotas, he is rendering a patriotic service to his country. If he followed the line of least resistance, said nothing, but produced less, he would neither be a good farmer nor a good American.

Farmers, by and large, have been critical of Washington officials for two reasons: First, when they believed that their rulings and regulations evidenced a manifest lack of understanding of farm problems, and would curtail badly-needed farm production. Second, when they believed that certain bureaucratic officials were seeking to take advantage of the war period to concentrate power in the government, or to introduce socialistic or communistic practices that are utterly foreign to the American way of life and destructive of the system of free enterprise.

Dr. Haney of New York University stated it succinctly when he said:

"There is almost no resistance to sacrifices required for war purposes. I for one, believe that, in total war, the government should go to great lengths in controlling production and rationing consumption, including manpower regulation. All of us will gladly give our all for taxes that are required to save our nation."

"It is when the power is used for other than war purposes, and the money is wasted or spent for pro-

paganda and vote buying, that we object.

"When a measure is proposed which would not help to win the war, but would hinder our success, there now goes up a storm of protest. As the people read the lists of their dead, this spirit will grow, and by the time the newly elected Congress assembles, I believe that there will be little to fear from socialism in this country."

If farmers, and other right-thinking Americans, by exercising

their right of protest even during war-time, are able to defend American democracy at home, while our boys are fighting for it in foreign lands, then it will be constructive criticism, indeed. And if farmers are able to produce more, and to aid in winning the battle more quickly, by calling attention to governmental shortcomings, then, certainly, they will have rendered a worthwhile service to their country.



We thank you for your loyalty to us during the year. May you experience every joy during this blessed Yuletide of 1942.

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WAITING . . .

The Christchild came so long ago,
so far across the sea;
The Angels' song, the wiseman's
star, seem very far from me.

But Aeroplanes fly swiftly to old
Bethlehem today;
And sky-borne music comes to
us from singers far away.

Dreams tell today of work and
play tomorrow will fulfill;
While memory cleaves the years
and speaks in voices long since still.

And Jesus? He whose word made
both the years and miles to be —
Can He not come this Christmas-
tide and give himself to me?

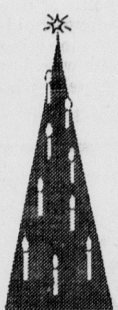
— Rev. J. L. Webster.



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far into the future, bringing
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good will proclaimed nineteen
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Merry Christmas this year we
would capture for you as
much of the old time holiday
spirit as possible. Accept our
sincere thanks for your gener-
ous patronage, which has
been a source of real encour-
agement to us in 1942.

THE GARDEN BASKET
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Christmas again! And
we thought it would
never come! Sixty joins
hands with twenty and
none escape the spell.
We join in the general
rejoicing as 1942 nears
its end, and a very
Merry Christmas to
you!

JOE'S CORNER
Joé Viveiros, Prop.
NILES

Point Ration System For 1943

(From the Office of Price Administration, San Francisco.)

American armed forces fight on more and more battle fronts in continually increasing numbers. Our fighting forces and our allies must be sent more and more supplies, food and ammunition.

To assure our fighters in North Africa, in the Solomons, in the South Pacific, a sufficient quantity of everything they need will mean one thing—we must get along on less — if there is not enough for both civilians and the armed forces.

Where there is shortage of essential commodities for civilians, what we have must be distributed fairly to all.

That is why we ration in these United States—to provide those who are fighting and dying for us with everything they must have to win, and to assure each of us at home his fair share.

Early in 1943 each of us in the United States will receive a new war ration book. This book will be called War Ration Book Two, and will be used for new rationing programs which may become necessary. War Ration Book two will be used to secure goods that will be rationed under a new system known as the point system.

—What Is Point Rationing?

"Point rationing" is a system of rationing a group of related or similar commodities which can be substituted for one another in actual use. Point rationing will not replace straight coupon rationing of sugar, gasoline and coffee. The point system and War Ration Book Two will be used for certain new rationing programs. The straight coupon system may be used for other new rationing programs where suitable.

—Why Is System Necessary?

The point system will be used to ration certain commodities for which the straight coupon system is not suitable. It would provide a fairer and better system of rationing certain kinds of goods, such as cereals or meats, than straight coupon rationing would in the case of such products.

The simple coupon system was selected for rationing sugar because: Sugar is something almost everyone uses. It is a standardized article, usually of one grade, and commonly sold in packages of one pound or several pounds. There is a large enough supply to give everyone a share big enough to be useful. There is no widely-used substitute that could be exhausted by people rushing to buy it in place of sugar, no danger of working a serious hardship on many people who made extensive use of the substitute.

The same conditions are true for gasoline and coffee.

But these conditions do not hold true for certain other kinds of commodities, such as cereals.

—How Does It Work?

In a point rationing program, the government will group together a number of similar or related commodities. The same ration cou-

pens will be used to buy any of these commodities.

Everyone in the country will be entitled to use a certain number of points each month out of War Ration Book Two, to buy the commodities in the group. Each consumer may buy in any store he likes. The government will give each commodity in the group a "point value."

A low point-value will be given to the commodity which is most plentiful as compared with the usual supply and demand for that commodity.

A high point-value will be given to a commodity which is much scarcer than usual.

A point-value somewhere between the two will be given to a commodity when the supply and demand are expected to be somewhat less than usual.

Each individual may "spend" his points to buy any of the items in the point-rationed group in any way he likes.

But when he has "spent" all his points for the month, he will not be able to buy any of these items until the next month (or ration period) begins.

Those who choose to buy commodities having a low point-value will get more for their ration than those who choose to use up their points on high point value commodities.

Point changes will be made only where really necessary and, as a rule, not more often than once a



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month. Such changes will be made on the basis of the government's careful, detailed study of supplies and consumer buying of the rationed commodities.

—How To Shop

In buying goods rationed under the point system, you must, in effect, learn how to buy with two kinds of currency — money and point-stamps.

You must know the money-price and the point-value of the commodity.

You must give the store-keeper dollars and cents and point-stamps.

Just as you now budget the money you can spend during each pay period, you must learn to budget your points so that they will last for the entire ration period.

Newspapers will carry lists of point-values and will announce changes in point values. Radio stations may also announce such changes.

To help her shopping and budgeting, every housewife should keep her own list of point-values and keep it up to date.

Remember
Point rationing means "share and share alike."

The advantage of point rationing for you will be far greater than the inconveniences.

Point rationing gives you all the freedom of choice possible in wartime. You can choose those commodities in the group which you prefer and which you can afford. And you can spend your points in any way you like.

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KEEP ON BUYING CHRISTMAS SEALS

"Don't forget to buy your Christmas Seals."

Members of the Christmas Seal Committee of the Alameda County Tuberculosis and Health Association yesterday issued this appeal to citizens of the County. The Committee's statement said:

"Every Christmas Seal used is a messenger that carries a reminder of work being done to protect the health of people everywhere."

This year, more than ever our public health defenses need to be maintained against the ravages of tuberculosis—a preventable disease which touches the lives of young and old alike and causes much suffering and sorrow. No home is safe from tuberculosis until all homes are safe."

**GEMS OF THOUGHT
TRUE FREEDOM**

The only freedom worth possessing is that which gives enlargement to a people's energy, intellect, and virtues.

— William Ellery Channing
Only free peoples can hold their purpose and their honor steady to a common end, and prefer the interests of mankind to any narrow interest of their own.

— Woodrow Wilson
Give me liberty to know, to think, to believe, and to utter freely, according to conscience, above all other liberties.
—Milton

The Pilgrims came to establish a nation in true freedom, in the rights of conscience.

— Mary Baker Eddy

If the true spark of religious and civil liberty be kindled, it will burn. Human agency cannot extinguish it.
—Daniel Webster.

Wartime food production goals for 1943 call for increases ranging from 15 to 30 per cent on carrots, lima beans, snap beans and onion.



Wishing you
all the
joys and blessings
of this holy
Christmas season
of 1942

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I pray thee then
Write me as one that loves
his fellow men.
—Abou Ben Adhem

Let us all write that down,
that our names, too, like
Abou Ben Adhem's, may
appear among the names
of those "whom love of
God had blessed."

As 1942 draws to a
close we say

A Merry Christmas to You

BERT'S PLACE
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Once again a Christmas!
May its message of peace and happiness abide with you throughout the Yule Season of 1942, and carry its benign influence to you and yours.

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FO each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it—yes—in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.



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"HE'S COMING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"

He's coming home for Christmas!
God grant this may be true.
For boys who will be home this year,
I know — are very few.
We'll trim the tree and hang the socks,
Call Santa on the phone.
Reminding him — to not forget
That He is coming home.

'Twas just about a year ago
The crazy Japs flew in
Confident and determined
Hawaii's forts to win.

Time has passed so swiftly,
'Tis a different picture now.
Before a mighty edict
Those sneaking rats must bow.

But we won't talk of bad men—
Of things which crawl and sting
To-day's Our Saviour's Birth-
day.

Let's take the Joy it brings.
To mothers, wives and sweet-
hearts
Whose men folk are away,
May God deal kindly with you
'Till their "returning day."
—Alice A. Williams

A MERRY CHRISTMAS—REALLY!

We read a day or two ago of
a minister, trying to prepare
a Christmas sermon, who was
overwhelmed with a sense of
futility as he sought for some-
thing in a war-torn world which
showed that the spirit of Christ-
mas still lived. When he was
in deep despair, a soldier, who
had formerly been a member of
his congregation, called on him
and told him, in simple lan-
guage, what he was fighting for
—for the town where he had
grown to manhood, for the
townspeople who had put up
with his early escapades, for the
church where he was christened
and for "the girl across the
street", who was now his wife.
That, he said was what a soldier
thought of when people spoke
of fighting for America. And
the minister found his faith
restored in the Christmas mes-
sage of Peace On Earth, even in
the midst of total war, because

a soldier had sketched a picture
for him of a good way of life in
the home towns of America; a
way of life worth defending.

"Merry-Christmas" in the
finest sense of the word, despite
the fact that family reunions
this year will be incomplete;
despite the worry about sons
and husbands and brothers who
are in the country's armed forces;
despite high taxes and
business losses; even despite the
loss of loved ones who have al-
ready given their lives in de-
fense of their home towns. It
should be a "Merry Christmas"
because after many months of
heart-breaking reverses, those
who fight for human decency
and liberty are going forward,
and those who would destroy
good will and peace on earth
are seemingly on the road to
their own destruction.

The first Christmas in
Bethlehem was not an end; it
was a beginning—the beginning
of mankind's long, long
struggle toward freedom. And
this Christmas, with the thun-
der of war spreading over the
world, does not mark the end
of all that Christmas personi-
fies; it marks, instead, another
milestone in man's struggle
against savagery and inhumanity.
It is vital, living proof that
free men still desire Peace On
Earth and Good Will To Men,
enough to defend it; enough to
die for it.

THE SANTA CLAUS MYTH.

The belief in an allegorical
figure called Santa Claus has
sprung up during the Christian
Era to symbolize the Invisible
Man whose birthday Christmas
commemorates.

Oddly enough this belief in
a substitute person originated
in Germany centuries ago, with
the creation of a character called
Kris Kringle, and so passed
on to most other civilized na-
tions.

We in America subscribe to
the Santa Claus myth and pass
it on from generation to gener-
ation for the sake of children.
It is a harmless pastime which
youth soon outgrows.

Youth's mind is then ready
to accept belief in the real
"Santa Claus" — the Author

Editorial Page of the Township Register

To Each of You

Christmas this year comes to a confused world.
The false prophets who guide the destinies of dictator
nations have brought untold suffering to a sorely
tried humanity.

Despite the haunting shadows of war, the deep,
abiding joy of Christmas is felt throughout the world.
The Star of Bethlehem shines as brightly as it did almost
two thousand years ago, its rays reaching bravely
through the dread darkness of ignorance and fear.

In our own community we have felt the hot
breath of war. But Christmas, 1942, brings renewed hope
to those who have suffered most. Since that greatest
of all days, when the Virgin Mother brought forth a
son in the manger at Bethlehem, men have found
comfort and solace in the annual miracle of Christmas.

Those of us who live in small towns are able to
see more clearly the suffering caused by war. We have
a friendly, personal interest in each other. The spirit
of neighborly love and devotion has eased many a
saddened heart; the helping hand has been extended
cheerfully when the road ahead seemed impassable.

This newspaper, which has recorded community
tidings both happy and sad, wishes for each of you
a Christmas of faith and hope—a Christmas rich with
the loyalty of friends and graced with a full measure
of happiness.



and Giver of life.

The mythological figures of
Uncle Sam and John Bull also
express to peoples of the United
States and England the symbol
of the Invisible Head of our na-
tions. Soldiers now serving in
our armies refer to the Unseen
Presence as The Man.

Very good. These myths all
help The People to be God-con-
scious in a pleasant way. The
Great Revealer and the 40 who
came before Him, from Adam to
Malachi, and the only one who
came after Him, St. Paul are the
only 42 men of all the people
born on earth who really
KNEW God, who saw Him,
talked with Him, received His
words, were touched by Him or
performed miracles through
Him.

No direct, quick miracles
have been performed since St.
Paul's last apostle died late in
the first Century A.D. — and
that's been a very long time
ago.

The Crusaders had a touch of
God, especially King Arthur
and the knights of the round
table. In battle a fire from
heaven surrounded King Ar-
thur, according to written
chronicles. That, too, is a long
time ago — about a thousand
years.

We moderns, possessed of in-
quiring minds, can't help but
wonder why this present ghastly
war, which God could stop
in a moment — if He would
but show Himself to the Japa-
nazis and scare the devil out of
them?

Until some such sign or won-

der occurs we moderns will
have to go on playing up the
childish myth of Santa Claus—
which is a saccharine substitute
for Truth.

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"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

"Merry Christmas" — what an
effort,
With the whole world deep in
strife.
Every Nation bowed in misery,
Fighting valiantly for life.

Perhaps — if we lift the curtain
And look beyond the bar,
We'll see a brighter picture,
Like the gleaming of a star.

A picture bright and shining
With a glowing, rosy hue.
It comes from the hearts of
mothers;

Of wives and sweethearts, too.
'Tis Hope — that the war be
ended

That sin and greed be banished,
And Peace again shall reign.

May we hold this precious pic-
ture,
Deep within our hearts.
And make a mighty effort
To, more than do our part.

Bravely, let's plan a Christmas,
Honoring those who are away.
Maybe — one will treat. Him
kindly,

Knowing this is Christmas Day.
Trim the tree and hand the
stockings.

Put a "Welcome" on the door;
Fill the home to overflowing
'Till there is no room for more.

Let the house ring out with

laughter,
Help them all to sing and play.
Forgetting for the moment,
Everything but Christmas Day.

May the birthday of our Savi-
or
Chase away all thoughts of fear.
As we wish them: "Merry
Christmas,"
And "A Bright and Clean New
Year."
—Alice A. Williams

CATTLE TRAINS IN PARIS

A long special train pulls into
the Gare du Nord station in
Paris. It carries several hun-
dred emaciated, sick, listless men.
These are French soldier prison-
ers, sent home from Germany.
While the work of taking them
from the train is under way,
several other trains pull out of
the station, headed east, with
able-bodied French workmen
selected for work in German
war industries—tagged, weigh-
ed and shipped like cattle on
the hoof.

That scene is common now at
Paris railway stations. It is
Hitler's program in action—one
war prisoner exchanged for
every three French workmen.
Laval can "persuade" or
frighten into taking part in the
disgrace. Like cattle, the work-
ers are graded and tested under
German direction. Healthy flesh
only! For every 25 workers, a
foreman; for every 50 workers,
an engineer.

French taxpayers must pay
compensation to the families
of such workers, and pay war-
risk insurance for them. So
Frenchmen not only foot the bill
for Germany's army of occupa-
tion, but help pay for French
workers serving as war slaves
in Germany. And the French in-
dustrialists are under orders to
replace workers sent to Ger-
many with unskilled men—so
that these, in turn, may be
schooled for slavery in the
Reich.

The story of the "cattle
trains" of Paris—a story that
defeat at the hands of the Nazis
might bring to disastrous life
in New York, Chicago, San
Francisco and Los Angeles —
should be telling enough to jar
into action every American,
whatever his job or station, who
may have failed to put the up-
hill job of winning this war
first, and his personal fortune,
business, wages, working con-
ditions or profits last.

A RUN ON THE BANQUET

A generation ago, when
banks were more shaky than
they are now, and word got a-
round that a bank was liable to
close up, everybody went there
to draw their money out, mak-
ing what was called a "run on
the bank."

Today, when word gets a-
round that a certain grocer has
got in some butter or eggs, word
gets around just as fast, folks

run to that store just as fast,
and the grocer is lucky to have
any butter or eggs left at the
end of an hour.

Sort of a new version of a
"run on the ban-quet!"

—ww—

ARMY SERVICE

as printed in the
Congressional Record
(By Pvt. Macon Reed)

Until a few months ago I was
a newspaper man in Washing-
ton. And I thought I knew all
there was to know about the
war. The day of Pearl Harbor I
was in the White House Press
Room when most of the early
news came. I covered the de-
clarations of war, I watched poli-
tical leaders, high Army and
Navy officers come and go at
the White House and the Cap-
itol.

On February 4 I joined the
new Army of the United States
as a private. It was then that I
really began to learn something
about the war.

In those black days of winter
defeat, Washington lay in a
miasma of anxiety and uncer-
tainty. In contrast, I found the
Army a bracing tonic, as invig-
orating as cold night air. The
sense of youth and power in the
Army, a feeling of swift growth
and certainty, was electric. It
was the most exhilarating thing
in the world to swing out across
a drill field in the easy march
step of the American Army,
feeling oneself part of the
smooth-flowing, purposeful col-
umn of power. One had then a
true perception of the irresis-
tible force and purpose of Amer-
ica's war drive.

As a 3-week rookie, I yawned
at some of the news which used
to drive us to distraction when
I was working in Washington.
In the Army the news came to
my barracks by radio as we
rolled out for 5:30 reveille. If
there was an Allied set-back
anywhere, friend John Fore-
man, a grinning, devil-may-care
telephone-pole man from Vir-
ginia, would say: "Just another
place for us to take back." Then,
preoccupied with much
more serious matters, he careened
through the barracks shout-
ing, "What blankety-blank-
blank stole my pillow case?" It
was inspection day and a lost
pillow case is serious.

We of the seniors were too
busy even in the desperate days
of last winter to worry. We
were too conscious of the grow-
ing might of the thing we were
creating.

Regardless of set-backs, the
loss of strategic points, and vi-
tal lines, we know that the ene-
my will be defeated when he
meets head-on the Army of the
United States. The point or line
of meeting is secondary. Sold-
iers do not go about mouthing
their philosophy of the war, but
they live it as the grueling la-

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short days of 1942, is the very best time to
tell you about it, and to wish you all a very
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bor of Army building and the compelling sense of the Army's invincibility crowds out of their minds the anxiety which must afflict all those who can only read of defeats abroad and do nothing about them.

I have seen and felt the Army grow, like a young bull in springtime. I have seen stooping, coughing weaklings transformed into men, red necked and tough, like my friend "Mangy" Mangione, whose delight was to slip a match under my shoe sole and light it. Five months ago he was a sickly shop clerk. Just the other day he was "shipped out" under secret orders to snake his field telephone wires up to heaven knows what battlefield.

The resolution that sends men forward under fire creates the songs and stories, but this Army is a school of skills. The new Army will conquer more by virtue of the unromantic kind of determination that drives men through the long and severe mental effort of mastering the difficult technical side of radio, gunnery, motor maintenance, and the like. My friend Vin Franz, ex-bank messenger, cried out in dismay "I didn't join the Army to go to school." He had

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"Good tidings of great joy"

AND the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:10, 11). This message from God, which came to the shepherds on the hills of Judea on a still, clear night long ago, is heard today by those who are listening for God's voice. The star of Bethlehem still shines to guide those who are watching and waiting for the appearing of Christ, Truth.

Christmas, to all true Christians, betokens a desire to give. The Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, Mary Baker Eddy, loved Christmas, and explains its spiritual import as the coming of Truth to human consciousness. She begins the Preface to her textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," with these inspiring words (p. vii): "To those leaning on the sustaining infinite, to-day is big with blessings. The wakeful shepherd beholds the first faint morning beams, ere cometh the full radiance of a risen day. So shone the pale star in the prophet-shepherds; yet it traversed the night, and came where, in cradled obscurity, lay the Bethlehem babe, the human herald of Christ, Truth, who would make plain to benighted understanding the way of salvation through Christ Jesus, till across a night of error should dawn the morning beams and shine the guiding star of being."

In his ministry the Master put into practical use his knowledge of God, divine Love, ever-present good. He bade his followers to love one another as he had loved them. The test of true discipleship must always be our understanding and emulation of the love which Christ Jesus manifested in his healing and saving work. . . . The appearing of Christ, Truth, in human consciousness constitutes a continuous unfolding of spiritual light and joy. Each day of the year we must seek a better and higher understanding of the eternal Christ, Truth, and strive to become more faithful followers of the Great Master and Way-shower, in health.

just been handed a heavy text on radio engineering with the command to learn it all, and quick. University graduates sweated for months over that course. You can imagine how brutal it was for Franz, who never finished high school. Yet Franz is ready for the troop transport any day now, a highly skilled technician in military communications. This war will be won by a million unsung Franzes with the guts and brains to operate under fire the marvelous engines of scientific battle.

On any day of minor annoyances—say the supper stew was burned or the laundry late—a stranger present would expect momentary mutiny in Company B. He would be startled if not shocked, by the utter freedom of speech practiced in this Army. The favorite targets of barracks abuse, in order, are the Army officers, the company cook, the British, the Japs and Hitler.

Yet if one knows the barracks psychology of reserving the most sulfurous epithets for friends and civility for enemies, one can translate the abuse as meaning that the boys will die for the honor of the Army, follow their officers anywhere, lend money to the cook, outdo themselves to vie with the Tommies in the display of valor tangle gladly with the Japs, and hang Hitler with gusto.

It is hard for one 8 months in the Army to remember that there is intolerance and snobbery in the world. When you eat, sleep, shower, march, swear, laugh, drink, and dodge details just 2 feet to the left of Joe Doaks for a couple of weeks, you cannot think of Joe as a Catholic, Protestant, Jew, German, Italian, Swede, or anything else. Joe is just Joe.

With a few million fantastically diverse and incurably individualistic men gathered together under one roof, so to speak, respect for the wishes of one's fellow man—which is to say democracy—is as sure as the victory of this Army. Where I am, free speech and the equality and the dignity of man are no mere fine words of an outworn era; they are big, hard, comforting, rock mountains of fact. Soldiers don't go around

ing all manner of sickness and sin, thus helping to bring the true light of spiritual being to men.

The question may well be asked, Has the light which penetrated the thought of the humble shepherds nineteen hundred years ago, and which, later on, brought healing and consolation to unnumbered thousands through the loving ministry of Christ Jesus, disappeared? The answer is, No. But men have permitted the mist of false mortal sense to blur their vision of the Christ. . . . Nothing but the Christ, Truth, understood and lived, will eliminate hatred, war, and greed from human consciousness, and establish universal peace.

The purpose of Christ Jesus was to establish the kingdom of God on earth. How did he do this? By showing the falsity of human beliefs. Every healing was a casting out of consciousness of some false belief which has no connection with the real man in God's image. As the turning on of an electric switch eliminates darkness from a room, so the light of spiritual perception or the knowledge of the real man dispels false human belief. Christ Jesus did not recognize evil as real, but proved its unreality through his knowledge of the allness of Truth.

It is natural and beautiful for men to be joyous and steadfast in the reflecting of good. If a tree is good it will bear good fruit, since like produces like. When we begin to understand that all materiality is but the counterfeit, the material concept of that which is spiritual and perfect, we no longer walk in darkness, for the light of Truth illumines the way we are going.

In her Communion Message to The Mother Church for 1898, Mrs. Eddy writes (The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany, p. 122): "Beloved brethren, another Christmas has come and gone. Has it enabled us to know more of the healing Christ that saves from sickness and sin? Are we still searching diligently to find where the young child lies, and are we satisfied to know that our sense of Truth is not demoralized, finitized, cribbed, or cradled, but has risen to grasp the spiritual idea unenviably by materiality?"—The Christian Science Monitor.

mouthed any philosophy of "freedom" or "democracy." I'm sure I never heard either word issue from a man in uniform. Yet we live them and demonstrate them daily; we are preparing to fight for them and win for them.

If any man has lost faith, let him come and learn anew in the barracks of our United States Army.

— V —



Betsy

The little girl tugged gently at her mother's sleeve. "Now, Mother?" she asked. "Now can't we write my letter?" "Why of course, Betsy," Mrs. Carson grinned. "Are you going to write it or am I?"

"Well," Betsy said. "Maybe you'd better kind of say it to me. Only I'd love to write it." "All right, then, Miss Carson, take a letter," her mother said, walking slowly up and down the room. "Ready? 'Dear Mr. Morgenthau: The way I save money for War Stamp buying is to steer all the small household jobs toward my daughter, who is eight years old. She is so keen about buying War Stamps that I know all the money I might have paid to someone else for doing the jobs will go toward Victory when paid to her.'"

"Now make a list, Betsy. 'Windows washed, 60 cents. Apples picked from under the tree, 25 cents. Empty trash cans, 4 cents. Sold string beans from the garden, 15 cents. Sold strips of spoiled film to children for sun-gazing, at one cent a yard, 20 cents. Total, \$1.24. Yours helpfully, I hope,—and then I'll sign it at the bottom.'"

Betsy was puffing like a grampus from her labors. The tall, painstaking letters tottered bravely across the sheet of paper. Gravely Mrs. Carson took the pen to sign.

"Mother, would it be the proper etiquette if I signed it too?" "Perfectly proper, I think," Mrs. Carson said without a smile, and handed the pen back to Betsy.

(Letter from an actual communication in the files of the Treasury Department.)

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WARM SPRINGS PUPILS ENJOY 2 DAY HOLIDAY

WARM SPRINGS — With only two days for Christmas vacation instead of the customary two weeks, pupils of the Warm Springs Grammar School gave a surprise program at the school Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

The program was arranged by the Girls' Club for the entire student body. Those in charge were the officers, Dorothy Costa, president; Mary Goulart, secretary; Elaine Silva, sergeant at arms. Those on the program were Dorothy Costa, Elaine Silva, Mary Goulart, Annabelle Vargas, Paula Galvan, Esther Costa, Eleanor Brown, Myrtle Brown, Agnes Hightower, Dolores Estacio, Joy Silveria, Jackie Chitwood, Doreen Maffey and Elaine Neely.

The curtailment of the holiday is due to time lost from classes during tomato harvest. L. H. Maffey says checks from growers received recently show the pupils of this school earned \$1000 in the tomato harvest and an additional \$5000 during the Summer vacation. School will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.



Now is the time when all of us are more fully conscious of the goodness that should pervade all mankind. Permit us, then, to thank you for your good will in 1942; we wish you all the merriest Christmas possible.

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SEVEN DAYS LEAVE

— and —
BUSSES ROAR
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Short Subjects — News

ROTARY LUNCHEON

Father and Son (or daughter) luncheon was held Thursday noon by the Niles Rotary club in the City of Florence Restaurant with a large attendance. President Chick Burdick presided. R. A. Blacow had Sgt. Jack Parry, home on leave as his "son" and Reverend D. Q. Grabill brought Walter Kleinsasser among the many young people present.

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NILES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OFFERS PROGRAM

The annual Sunday school program of the Niles Congregational Church was held Sunday evening at 7:30 before a full auditorium, with Mrs. Fred Duffie in charge.

The following program was presented:

Salute to the Christian and American Flags—LaDuan Harting
Responsive reading—Leader and school La Daun Harting
Prayer—Jack Mosher
Accordian Numbers—Evan Parry, and Donald Hibner
Primary songs—Tony Candles of the Night

Recitation — Christmas prayer, Barbara Harting
Exercise — Christmas Stars, Beginners

Recitation—The Christmas night, Jerry Miller.
Exercise—Silent Night, Primary children

Song—Jolly Old Saint Nicolas, Esther and Juanita Jergentz
Piano selections—Bruce and Sandy Roeding

Merry Christmas—Edgar Dawson

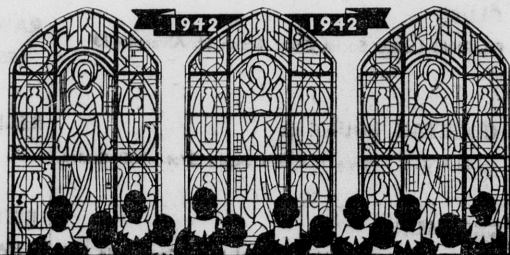
Recitation—Not in Bethlehem, Elsie.
Not Too Small—Charlene Fournier

Both Contented—Billy Dawson and Joanne Shell
Pageant — Bells of Bethlehem: Marian Green, Dale Riddle, Jack Moser, David Leask, Gordon Kibby, Raymond Hale, Freddie Duffie, Hugh Waynflete, Oma Riddle and many others comprised the cast.

The ladies of the Sanford Circle then passed out bags of candy to the boys and girls to conclude a happy evening.

— Bonds for Bombs —

The next meeting of the Niles Rebekah lodge will be held on Jan. 15 after a short business session which will start promptly at 7:30. Installation ceremonies will be conducted under the direction of Catherine R. Parry, District Deputy president of district 53, according to Sena Carr Noble grand.



COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

A Very Merry Christmas

So we say to you not just as our customers in 1942, but also as our friends and acquaintances which you have indeed become. We hope that you enjoy to the fullest all the happiness and goodness of this Christmas Season.

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GOOD WILL, music, happiness, health — a foursome without a peer—our wish for you and yours as Christmas comes in this fateful year of 1942. Your kindness has meant a great deal to us, and we thank you most cordially.

The Township Register

NILES CUB PACK TO BE REORGANIZED

A group of Scouters interested in cubbing met Tuesday evening in Walter Waynflete's home at Niles in an effort to re-establish the Township's only cub pack, which at the present time lacks a Cubmaster and a committee.

Field Executive Claude Lamkin of Hayward suggested a meeting of cubs and their parents to be held in the Niles Grammar School for the purpose of reorganizing, and suggested Monday night, January 19 as the date.

Sgt. Jack Parry, former Cubmaster was present and gave his assistance to the reorganization plan. Township Commissioner Tom Maloney of Centerville was also present.

Ten boys are registered so far in the troop this year. A Cubmaster and Den Mothers will have to be found before regular meetings can begin. The pack at Niles is sponsored by the Parent Teacher association.

Roland Bendel arrived home from Rutherford School at Long Beach for a two weeks vacation.

Wesley Hammond has been elected president of the Tangle and Twist Rifle Club.

PUBLIC PAYS OVER MILLION DOLLARS FOR "TOGO CIGAR"

The toothy little men of Japan are sucking their breath in honorable anguish today. That infamous "Togo Cigar," the two-man Jap submarine, captured at Pearl Harbor and now on a nation-wide bond selling tour, has exploded right in their dishonorable face! The backfire was a \$1,617,183.65 salvo of War Bonds and Stamp purchases . . . the result of the suicide submarine's four week tour of Northern California, it was announced by James G. Smyth, War Savings State Administrator for the U.S. Treasury Department.

First in per capita purchases for all Northern California was the city of Calistoga whose 1,124 population hung up the record of \$22.48 average sale per person. Livermore came second with a per capita average of \$20.39. Ferndale with a total population of 901 stood third with a per capita average purchase of \$17.79.

— Bonds for Bombs —

Read Your Paper Thoroughly

WELFARE CLUB WRAPS 105 GIFTS FOR CHILDREN

Christmas gifts for 105 children under the supervision of the Alameda County Charities Commission in Washington Township were donated and wrapped by the Child Welfare Club at the annual holiday meeting at the home of Mrs. C. E. Martenstein.

During a business meeting conducted by Mrs. L. E. Bailey, president pleas were made for additional blood donors for the Red Cross blood procurement center and nurses' aides. Mrs. W. L. McWhirter said 100 donors had signed up for the January 15 visit of the mobile blood unit but that the February visit would come only two weeks later, February 4, and that donors would be needed for this date.

Transportation will be furnished for women wishing to take the nurses' aide training at Fairmont

Hospital beginning January 6. Mr. Allan Walton said. She already has several volunteers but approximately a dozen more are needed.

The names of Mrs. Gilbert Smith of Centerville, Mrs. Ted Harvey of Alvarado and Mrs. Ted Logan of Niles were accepted for the membership's waiting list and the next meeting was scheduled for January 18 to be held at the home of Mrs. Howard Chadbourne with Mrs. Mila Norris as co-hostess.

SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN AT POMONA COLLEGE

High school and junior college students everywhere are eligible to compete for scholarships to be awarded at Pomona College, in Claremont, California.

Competitive examinations, open to both men and women, will be held February 13, 1943. Twenty high school and seven junior college scholarships will be awarded. Applications should be filed by January 16, it was announced.



Fidings of Joy

Not just a wish for Christmas,
But a wish for each day of the year,
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